

Storm Water Task Force Meeting

May 14, 2019

6:00 p.m

City of St. Marys Tourism Building

Members Present: Tommy Sailors – Chairperson
Grace Ashcroft – Vice Chairperson
Gregg Marx
Larry Newton
Dave Reilly

City Officials Present: John J. Holman, City Manager
Bobby Marr, Public Works Director
Alise Pate, Public Works Senior Admin.

Call to Order

Mr. Tommy Sailors called the Storm Water Task Force meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Sailors conducted a roll call confirming a quorum of members present for the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Gregg Marx made a Motion to approve the minutes from the April 30, 2019 meeting. Ms. Grace Ashcroft seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Reilly made a Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Newton seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Discussion was held to review the set schedule of the Storm Water Task Force, being the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. and the GMC Engineering Firm would be present at the second meeting of the month.

Mr. John Holman stated the presentation from GMC that was reviewed at the April 14, 2019 meeting is posted on the City website.

Mr. Newton ask for a review of the Extent of Services that GMC would be providing to the Storm Water Task Force. Mr. Marr reviewed GMC involvement.

New Business

Approval of Mission Statement and Public Survey Questions

Mr. Reilly stated the Task Force needs a Vision Statement to incorporate into the Mission Statement. Mr. Holman stated that falls into what GMC will be handling and the Task Force is to review the draft Mission Statement and give comments back to GMC. Mr. Sailors said part of the Mission Statement needs to be the long term vision of what the Task Force is trying to achieve and what steps need to be in place to get there.

Mr. Newton ask if GMC would be updateing the 2008 Stormwater Plan. Mr. Holman said no, the first phase of the Task Force is to decide if the establishment of a Stormwater Enterprise Fund that would be approved by the City Council is needed and does it make sense to establish a fund.

Mr. Riley stated the Task Force needs to figure out where we are now, where we need to be and how to get there and the Mission Statement needs to include that vision. Mr. Newton stated the Stormwater Task Force is the starting point and Resiliency Plan is the next supporting step.

Discussion was held of establishing a Vision Statement and the Mission Statement. Mr. Marr said the final vision of what the Task Force wants to accomplish need to be the Vision Statement and the Mission Statement is how those things happen. The consensus of the Task Force was the following Vision Statement: The Vision of the Storm Water Task Force is to provide environmental protections, minimize the impacts to citizens and public and private property due to flooding and to promote public health and safety through the implementation of storm water regulations, policies and engineering.

Mr. Marr stated GMC is to help the Task Force go through the process of establishing a plan by assessing all the current plans the City has and determine phase one - which is does the Task Force proceed with establishing a Storm Water Utility?

Discussion and review was held of the Goals and Objectives on the Mission Statement and Public Survey. It was the consensus of the Task Force to submit their revisions to GMC to be reviewed at the May 28, 2019 meeting.

Other Business

Ms. Nicole Goebel, City of St. Marys IT Department reviewed the City issued email addresses and access for Task Force members.

No further discussion or business was held.

Adjournment

Mr. Newton made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Marx seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.